

Conewago Township Board of Supervisors

March 1, 2016

-Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance:

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at the Township Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, at 7:00pm. Those in attendance were, Lorreta Wilhide (Chairman), Brian Klinger (Vice Chairman), Daryl Hull, Tim Bupp (Solicitor), Terry Myers (Engineer) and Lou Anne Bostic (Manager).

- Ms Wilhide announced that an executive session was held after the January meeting to discuss a legal matter.

-Recognition of Public Requests

-Chad Stoner, 910 Copenhaffer Rd., presented the following concerns:

1-The handicap parking spaces at the township building are being used incorrectly and he thinks enforceable signs should be installed.

2-Right to know forms that he submitted regarding legal matters were not answered and feels funds are being misappropriated with the township employees allowing it and that the law firm should be removed.

3-Mr. Stoner commented on the Board's comments regarding frivolous right to know requests that are a financial hardship. Mr. Stoner stated that the public has the right to submit the requests. He feels that the manager's forwarding to the law firm is a negation of duties and feels that is a financial hardship. Mr. Stoner demanded that the manager handle the requests herself without forwarding them to the law firm.

Ms Wilhide told him that they did not have time to research his concerns without prior knowledge of his concerns being submitted for their review.

-Steve Stoner, 910 Copenhaffer Road requested information regarding the executive session.

Ms. Wilhide told him that legal matters discussed during an executive session are not made public.

Mr. Stoner voiced concern about the condition of Copenhaffer Road and asked if the final wearing course was applied by Kinsley when the road was improved. Ms Wilhide told him that they did not have time to research his concerns without prior knowledge of his concerns being submitted for their review.

-Charlene Wilt, 140 Butter Road requested that a "Deer Crossing" sign be installed on Butter Road on the straightaway to the church due to her concerns regarding traffic safety. Ms Wilt was informed by the manager that the township would install the sign but the cost of the sign and post would be her responsibility. Ms Wilhide stated that the township will be working on this section of Butter Road this year and will have Northern Region Police patrol the road for traffic speed. Ms Wilhide provided a quote in the amount of \$125.00. Ms Wilt stated that the request is not for animal safety but to save an injury accident from happening. Ms Wilt informed the Board that when the manager, Ms Bostic, provided this information to her she felt belittled and asked that she not be treated this way again.

-Eric Neff presented a waiver request for 5689 Bull Road to allow his home construction to begin without requiring a reverse subdivision plan to join his adjoining two lots together. Mr. Neff explained that his house will be constructed on the one lot but the storm water and septic structures will be built across the property line onto the next lot. Discussion followed regarding SALDO modification requests. Attorney Bupp and Engineer Myers both stated that they do not see a problem that would prevent a reverse subdivision plan approval. Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Mr. Klinger, unanimously carried, to deny the modification request. Vote: 3 to 0.

The Board informed Mr. Neff that a conditional building permit will be issued providing that the property owner acknowledges and signs off that any construction started before the reverse subdivision approval is at this own risk. If approval is not received the applicant will be issued a cease and desist order.

-Scott and Donna Gauker, 190 Copenhaffer Road presented property description and appraisal for the property they are requesting to purchase from the township. (See February BOS minutes) Attorney Bupp informed the Board that if property is valued at \$1500.00 or less a public sale is not required. The property was appraised at \$1,250.00. Mr. Klinger asked if the township would be liable for any damage that might occur to the proposed solar panel installation. Attorney Bupp does not see a problem. Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Mr. Klinger, motion carried, to approve the sale of an approximate 20' x 284' parcel of ground adjoining the property known as 190 Copenhaffer Road and the Zion View Community Park. Subdivision approval will be required to join the two properties. Vote: 2 to 1. Wilhide-nay Klinger-yes Hull-yes
Motion by Mr. Klinger, second by Mr. Hull, motion carried, to approve the sale price of \$1400.00. Vote: 2 to 1. Wilhide-nay Klinger-yes Hull-yes

-Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mr. Klinger, second by Mr. Hull, unanimously carried to approve the agenda as prepared. Vote: 3-0

-Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Mr. Klinger, unanimously carried, to approve the previous minutes of February 2, 2016. Vote: 3-0

-Planning & Zoning:

- Johnston and Associates, Inc. – Stonegate Commons zoning concerns. No one was present.

-Chronister/Gill final subdivision plan was submitted by Mark Chronister. Mr. Chronister explained that the subdivision will straighten and clean up the property lines by providing a land swap allowing his driveway to be on his own property. All comments have been addressed.

Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Mr. Klinger, unanimously carried, to approve the final Chronister/Gill subdivision plan. Vote: 3 to 0

-Reports:

- Police Report and Building Permit Reports were approved on a motion by Mr. Klinger, seconded by Mr. Hull, and unanimously carried. Vote: 3 to 0

-Treasurers Report: The treasurer's report will be submitted at the next meeting.

-Road Report: Todd Smith presented a quote from Morgan Rail in the amount of \$10,230.00 to install guiderail at three locations in the township. Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Mr. Klinger, unanimously carried, to authorize the purchase. Vote: 3 to 0

-Solicitors Report: Attorney Bupp informed the Board that a letter was sent to the Auditors asking them to meet to reconsider the working supervisor wage. Mr. Bupp stated that it is unfortunate that the township will have to spend money on litigation for both sides over what is next to nothing. The only Auditor that responded was Mr. Knaub. Mr. Knaub presented a survey of surrounding municipalities pay wages and stated that he spoke with the other auditors and they were not willing to meet. Mr. Knaub was appointed as auditor after the annual auditors meeting.

Motion by Mr. Hull, second by Ms Wilhide, motion carried, to authorize the solicitor to pursue legal action to let the court decide. Vote: 2 to 0 Mr. Klinger abstained from voting because he is a working supervisor. Vote: Hull-yes Wilhide-yes Klinger-abstained

-Engineers Report: Terry Myers presented the 2016 street projects and requested approval to advertise for sealed bids.

-Contract #1 Base repair, super pave and wearing course.

Butter Road-Lewisberry Rd. to Copenhaffer Road. Base repair

Cloverleaf Road- Susquehanna Trail to Susquehanna Trail. Wearing course

Pinetree Road-Hykes Mill Rd. to Hykes Mill Rd. Scratch course

Hemlock Road-Pinetree Rd. to Pinetree Rd. Base repair

Fisher Drive – wearing course repair

-Contract #2 Micro surfacing, double application

Pinetree Road- Hykes Mill Rd. to Hykes Mill Rd. Micro surfacing, double application

Hemlock Road-Pinetree Rd. to Pinetree Rd. Micro surfacing, double application

-Contract #3

Line painting throughout the township

-Contract #4 Crushed aggregate

-Contract #5 bituminous concrete material

Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Mr. Klinger, unanimously carried, to authorize CS Davidson to advertise all 5 contracts. Vote: 3 to 0

Mr. Myers reported that a 72” CMP between Jug Road north and Jug Road south will need rehabilitation and they are looking at options. A separate contract will need to be bid later this year.

-Unfinished Business: Ms Bostic asked for a motion to accept letters from the Board for health insurance coverage. Motion by Ms Wilhide, second by Mr. Hull, unanimously carried, to accept Health Insurance participation requests from the Supervisors, effective 1/1/2016. Vote: 3 to 0

-Mr. Hull commented on the recent storm water webinar. York County is doing well with efforts to reduce pollutants into the Chesapeake Bay. Mr. Hull will provide content copies to the Board.

-Curt Knaub, 1595 Bull Road asked when a wearing course is applied on development roads.

Mr. Klinger would like to see a time limit placed on the wearing application and feels the roads are sitting too long.

-New Business: None

-Other Business: None

-Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Bostic
Manager